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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 43

Introduced by Assembly Members Daucher and Cohn

December 2, 2002

An act to amend Sections 14139.05, 14139.1, 14139.11, 14139.12, 14139.13, 14139.2, 14139.21, *14139.22*, 14139.24, 14139.25, 14139.3, 14139.31, 14139.33, 14139.34, *14139.38*, 14139.4, 14139.41, 14139.43, 14139.44, 14139.5, 14139.5, 14139.6, and 14139.62 of, to amend the heading of Article 4.3 (commencing with Section 14139.05) of Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of, to add Section 14139.30 to, to add Article 4.31 (commencing with Section 14139.80) to Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of, to repeal Sections 14139.35, 14139.36, 14139.38, and 14139.51 of, and to repeal and add Sections 14139.32, 14139.37, and 14139.42 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to long-term care.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 43, as amended, Daucher. Long-Term Care Integration (LTCI) program: establishment.

The Long-Term Care Integration Pilot Program requires the State Department of Health Services to administer a pilot program that will integrate the financing and administration of long-term care services in up to 5 pilot project sites around the state. Existing law establishes specified goals for the pilot program.

This bill would rename the program as the Long-Term Care Integration (LTCI) program, and establish the LTCI program as an

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ongoing program. This bill would also revise the goals of the program to include, among other things, specified medical services, and to require the department to coordinate the delivery of medical services, preferably through the integration of Medicare and Medi-Cal funding streams.

Existing law requires the department to convene a working group, composed of specified entities or stakeholders, and requires the department to consult with the working group, as specified.

This bill would repeal that provision.

Existing law requires interagency agreements, as specified, between participating departments, which agreements are required to specify various responsibilities for administering the pilot program.

This bill would repeal that provision.

Existing law requires that costs to the General Fund not exceed the amount that would have been expended in the absence of the pilot program.

This bill would provide, instead, that net costs to the Medi-Cal program shall not exceed the amount that would have been expended in the absence of the LTCI program.

Existing law establishes requirements regarding pilot project sites, which may be comprised of a single county, a multicounty unit, or a subcounty unit, and requires each selected site to develop and provide to the department an administrative action plan, to include specified elements.

This bill would revise those site requirements and apply the requirements instead to LTCI program sites, would provide that LTCI program sites may be public entities or private agencies, and would revise the elements required of the administrative action plan. The bill would also require that LTCI programs be public agencies or public entities and that the administrative action plan receive the approval of the board of supervisors before its is submitted to the department.

This bill also would require authorize LTCI program sites either to voluntarily enroll eligible beneficiaries in a defined service area and accept capitation based on a per patient per date per-member-per-month rate or to serve all eligible beneficiaries in a defined service area and pool funds, as specified. The bill would also authorize a consolidated long-term services fund to include funds from other programs or services that would be appropriate for an LTCI program site.

Existing law requires that a pilot project site establish a consolidated long-term care services fund, that the administrative action plan for

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each pilot project site identify the funds to be transferred into the consolidated long-term care services fund, and that the funds include Medi-Cal long-term institutional care, Medi-Cal Personal Care Services Program, and the In-Home Supportive Services program funds, and provides that the funds may include funds from other specified programs. Existing law requires the department to give site selection preference to project sites that include funds from the largest number of programs, as specified.

The bill would, instead, require LTCI program sites that serve all eligible beneficiaries in a defined service area and pool funds to establish a consolidated long-term care services fund, as specified, *and* would establish requirements for the administration of the fund, and would establish the sources of the moneys in the fund.

Existing law establishes selection criteria for pilot program sites.

This bill would revise the criteria, establish selection preference criteria, and relate them instead to the LTCI program.

Existing law requires that specified services be provided by pilot program sites.

This bill would apply those requirements, instead, to LTCI program sites, would delete certain specified services, and would require that LTCI program sites provide services for the coordination or integration of a full continuum of medical, social, and supportive services for individuals with chronic long-term care needs to all enrolled beneficiaries. The bill would also require that the administrative action plan include the manner in which the Medicare benefit will be integrated or coordinated.

Existing law requires the department to apply for a federal waiver involving Medicare funds, if primary, ancillary, and acute care are not included among the services offered by a pilot project site.

This bill would repeal this provision.

Existing law establishes maintenance of effort requirements applicable to participating counties for each of the programs integrated within the pilot program.

This bill would repeal those provisions apply that provision only to participating counties that choose mandatory enrollment for each of the LTCI programs.

Existing law requires the long-term services agency to be responsible and at risk for implementing the administrative action plan, and requires the long-term services agency to perform specified administrative functions. AB 43 — 4 —

This bill would revise these requirements and would apply these requirements, instead, to an LTCI program site.

Existing law defines eligible beneficiaries for purposes of the program.

This bill would revise that definition and would authorize LTCI program sites to limit enrollment to specific populations of individuals who have chronic long-term care needs.

Existing law requires that services be provided by pilot project sites to all eligible beneficiaries who live in the geographic area served, and to non-Medi-Cal eligible individuals, as specified.

This bill would delete those provisions and require that if an LTCI program elects to enroll individuals on a voluntary basis, the program must serve all individuals who enroll in the program and who meet the description of the target population outlined in the administrative action plan.

Existing law requires the department to set a capitated rate of payment that is based on the number of beneficiaries who are eligible for Medi-Cal benefits to be enrolled in the pilot project, the mix of provided services and programs being integrated, and past Medi-Cal expenditures for services.

This bill would instead apply this requirement to LTCI programs, and would establish certain requirements regarding the development of LTCI rates.

Existing law makes provision for the transfer of funds separately from the capitation payment if the department determines that a program or programs cannot reasonably be capitated.

This bill would repeal that provision.

This bill would also require the department to establish up to 3 pilot projects in counties that elect to participate, as provided.

This bill would make various conforming, technical, and nonsubstantive changes.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The heading of Article 4.3 (commencing with
- 2 Section 14139.05) of Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the
- 3 Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

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Article 4.3. Long-Term Care Integration Program

SEC. 2. Section 14139.05 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

14139.05. The Legislature finds and declares that:

- (a) Long-term care services in California include an uncoordinated array of categorical programs offering medical, social, and other support services that are funded and administered by a variety of federal, state, and local agencies and are replete with gaps, duplication, and little or no emphasis on the specific concerns of individual consumers.
- (b) Although the need for a coordinated continuum of long-term care services has long been apparent, numerous obstacles prevent its development, including inflexible and inconsistent funding sources, economic incentives that encourage the placement of consumers in the highest levels of care, lack of coordination between aging, health, and social service agencies at both state and local levels, and inflexible state and federal regulations.
- (c) It is both efficient and humane to restructure long-term care services so that duplicative and confusing eligibility criteria, assessments, intake forms, and service limitations will not inhibit consumer satisfaction, impede improvements in consumer health status, and result in the ineffective use of resources.
- (d) There is a growing interest in community-directed systems of funding and organizing the broad array of health, support, and community living services needed by persons of all ages with disabilities.
- (e) It is in the interest of those in need of long-term care services, and the state as a whole, to develop a long-term care system that provides dignity and maximum independence for the consumer, creates home-based and community-based alternatives to unnecessary out-of-home placement, and is cost effective.
- SEC. 3. Section 14139.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.1. (a) The Legislature hereby establishes a Long-Term Care Integration (LTCI) program that will integrate the financing and administration of medical, social, and supportive services for individuals with chronic long-term care needs.

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 (b) It is the intent of the Legislature to support, in each LTCI program site, the development of a model integrated service delivery system that meets the needs of all beneficiaries, both those who live in their own homes and those who are in out-of-home placements, in a humane, appropriate, and cost effective manner.

- SEC. 4. Section 14139.11 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.11. The goals of the LTCI program shall be to do all of the following:
- (a) Provide a continuum of medical, social, and supportive services for individuals with chronic long-term care needs that will foster independence and self-reliance, maintain individual dignity, and allow consumers of long-term care services to remain an integral part of their family and community lives.
- (b) If out-of-home placement is necessary, to ensure that it is at the appropriate level of care, and to prevent unnecessary utilization of acute care hospitals.
- (c) If family caregivers are involved in the long-term care of an individual, to support caregiving arrangements that maximize the family's ongoing relationship with, and care for, that individual.
- (d) Deliver long-term care services in the least restrictive environment appropriate for the consumer.
- (e) Encourage as much self direction as possible by consumers, given their capability and interest, and involve them and their family members as partners in the development and implementation of each LTCI program site.
- (f) Identify performance outcomes that will be used to evaluate the appropriateness and quality of the services provided, as well as the efficacy and cost effectiveness of each LTCI program site, including, but not limited to, the use of acute and out-of-home care, consumer satisfaction, the health status of consumers, and the degree of independent living maintained among those served.
- (g) Achieve greater efficiencies through consolidated screening and reporting requirements.
- (h) Allow each LTCI program site to use existing funding sources in a manner that will meet local need and that is cost effective.
- 38 (i) Allow each LTCI program site to determine other services that may be necessary to meet the needs of eligible beneficiaries.

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(j) Coordinate the delivery of medical services, preferrably through the integration of Medicare and Medi-Cal funding streams.

- SEC. 5. Section 14139.12 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.12. It is the intent of the Legislature that the costs of the LTCI program to the Medi-Cal program will not exceed the costs that existing programs would expect to incur had the integrated services not been provided through the LTCI program.
- SEC. 6. Section 14139.13 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.13. (a) Any contract entered into pursuant to this article may be renewed if the LCI LTCI program site continues to meet the requirements of this article and the contract. Failure by the LTCI program site to meet these requirements shall be cause for nonrenewal of the contract. The department has the authority to terminate any LTCI project that does not continue to meet the contractual, enrollment, and program evaluation criteria established by the department. The department may condition renewal of the contract on timely completion of a mutually agreed upon plan of corrections of any deficiencies.
- (b) The department may terminate or decline to renew a contract, in whole or in part, when the director determines that the action is necessary to protect the health of the beneficiaries or the funds appropriated to the Medi-Cal program. The administrative hearing requirements of Section 14123 do not apply to the nonrenewal or termination of a contract under this article.
- (c) In order to achieve maximum cost savings, the Legislature hereby determines that an expedited contract process for contracts under this article is necessary. Therefore, contracts under this article shall be exempt from Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 10290) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code.
- (d) The Director of the Department of Managed Health Care shall, at the director's request, immediately grant an exemption from Chapter 2.2 (commencing with Section 1340) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code for purposes of carrying out any contract entered into pursuant to this article.
- 38 SEC. 7. Section 14139.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

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The department shall serve as the lead agency for the 14139.2. administration of this article. The department's responsibilities shall include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

- (a) Development of criteria for the selection of LTCI program sites.
- (b) Selection of the LTCI program sites to participate in the LTCI program.
- (c) Providing, or arranging for, technical assistance to participating LTCI program sites.
- (d) Development of specific performance outcome measures by which the LTCI program can be evaluated.
- (e) Development of standards for complying with reporting requirements specified in state law for the programs implemented pursuant to this article. The standards developed pursuant to this subdivision shall apply in lieu of any existing reporting obligations for the programs. The existing individual reporting requirements for programs implemented pursuant to this article shall be deemed to have been met through the reports required by this section. Existing requirements for reports to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development shall not be eliminated.
- (f) Seeking all federal waivers necessary for full implementation of the LTCI program.

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24 (f) Setting a payment rate consistent with Section 14139.5. 25

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- (g) Approval or disapproval of administrative action plans described in Section 14139.3.
- SEC. 8. Section 14139.21 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- The department may accept funding from federal agencies, foundations, or other nongovernmental sources, and may contract with qualified consultants to assist with the provision of technical assistance, the development of data collection, reporting, and analysis systems, or any other purposes that further the goals of the LTCI program. The department shall not accept funds from any entity that stands to gain financially from implementation of the LTCI program. In contracting with consultants to assist with the LTCI program, the department shall specify timelines and delivery dates so as to ensure the continued implementation of the LTCI program.

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SEC. 9. Section 14139.22 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is repealed. *amended to read:*

- 14139.22. (a) The department shall convene a working group that shall include the Director of Health Services, the Director of Social Services, and the Director of Aging, or the program staff from each of those departments who have direct responsibility for the programs listed in subdivision (b) of Section 14139.32 (c) of Section 14139.37, and may include the Director of Mental Health and the Director of Rehabilitation, or program staff from those departments with direct responsibilities for programs that may be included as a service in any pilot project LTCI program site, and representatives from each pilot project site upon its selection.
- (b) The department shall consult with the working group during the designing of the pilot LTCI program, in the selection of the pilot project LTCI program sites, and in the monitoring of the program under this article, and shall utilize the working group as a resource for problem-solving and a means of maintaining interdepartmental and intersite communication.
- (c) The working group shall strive to ensure that the pilot LTCI program—under established pursuant to this article makes maximum maximizes the use of home-based and community-based services, and throughout the continuum of care for each beneficiary, encourages the use of the least restrictive environment in which the beneficiary can receive appropriate care.
- SEC. 10. Section 14139.23 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is repealed.
- SEC. 11. Section 14139.24 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
 - 14139.24. The department shall seek all federal *medicaid* waivers necessary to allow for federal financial participation in the LTCI program implemented pursuant to this article.
- 33 SEC. 12. Section 14139.25 of the Welfare and Institutions 34 Code is amended to read:
- 14139.25. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, net costs to the Medi-Cal program shall not exceed the amount that would have been expended in the absence of the LTCI program.
- 38 SEC. 13. Section 14139.3 of the Welfare and Institutions 39 Code is amended to read:

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14139.3. (a) LTCI program sites may be public agencies or 1 2 private entities.

- (b)—Each selected LTCI program site shall develop and provide to the department an administrative action plan that shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following:
- (1) A complete description of the covered scope of services and programs to be implemented.
- (2) A complete description of the service delivery system and how it will improve system efficiency and enhance service quality for individuals with chronic long-term care needs. The service delivery system shall include a description of home-based and community-based services that encourage the use of the least restrictive environment in which beneficiaries can receive appropriate care.
- (3) Demonstration of a willingness and commitment by the 16 LTCI program site to work with local community groups, providers, and consumers to obtain their input.
 - (4) Proposed measurable performance outcomes that the LTCI program site is designed to achieve.
 - (5) A description of the expected impact on current program services to Medi-Cal eligible beneficiaries included in the LTCI program at that site.
 - (6) Assurance of minimal disruption to individual clients with chronic long-term care needs during the phase-in of the LTCI program at that site.
 - (7) Reasonable assurance that services provided will be responsive to the religious, cultural, and language needs of beneficiaries.
 - (8) Assurances that providers who serve the needs of special populations, such as religious and cultural groups or residents of multilevel facilities as defined in paragraph (9) of subdivision (d) of Section 15432 of the Government Code and community care retirement communities as defined in paragraph (11) of subdivision (c) of Section 1771 of the Health and Safety Code, will be able to continue to serve those persons when willing to contract under the same terms and conditions as similar providers.
 - (9) Specific alternative concepts, requirements, staffing patterns, or methods for providing services under the LTCI program at that site.

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(10) A process to assure that Medi-Cal dollars are appropriately expended in accordance with state and federal requirements that pertain to the LTCI program.

- (11) A description of how the LTCI program site will maintain adequate fiscal control and ensure quality of care for beneficiaries.
- (12) A description of how the LTCI program site will coordinate, relate to, or integrate with existing Medi-Cal managed care plans, local managed care plans, and other organizations that provide services that are not part of the LTCI program.
- (13) A proposed timeline for planning and startup of the LTCI program site.
 - (14) Demonstration of the financial viability of the plan.
- (15) A description of the method and timeline used to include covered services through Medicare capitation.

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- (b) The administrative action plan shall describe how and when the LTCI program will cover dual eligibles and intergrate Medicare funding into the program. If necessary, the department shall, in consultation with other programs, apply to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver that allows the LTCI program site to include Medicare funds.
- (d) If an LTCI program site is operated, or is to be operated, by a public agency, the administrative action plan shall receive the approval of the county board of supervisors before it is submitted to the department for final state approval. The board of supervisors shall present evidence of the commitment to the administrative action plan of all publicly funded agencies that currently serve consumers who will be eligible under the LTCI program and all publicly funded agencies that will be responsible for providing services under the LTCI program. This evidence may include resolutions adopted by agency governing bodies, memoranda of understanding, or other agreements pertinent to the implementation of the plan.
- (e) If an LTCI program site operated, or to be operated, by a private entity wishes to locate in a county that has an active LTCI planning or development grant subject to Section 14145.1 authorizing grants, the private agency shall receive the approval of the county board of supervisors prior to submitting its application to the department for final state approval.

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(f) If an LTCI program operated, or to be operated, by a private entity wishes to locate in a county that has, prior to January 1, 2004, submitted a written proposal to the department for a waiver 4 application specifically for that county, the private agency shall receive the approval of the county board of supervisors prior to 5 submitting its application to the department for final state 6 approval. shall seek or support an application for a Medicare waiver to allow an LTCI program site to include Medicare funds, 9 if the department determines that the application meets department requirements. 10

- SEC. 14. Section 14139.30 is added to the Welfare and *Institutions Code, to read:*
- 14139.30. (a) LTCI programs shall be public agencies or 14 public entities.
- (b) The administrative action plan shall receive the approval of 16 the county board of supervisors before it is submitted to the department for final state approval.
 - SEC. 15. Section 14139.31 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
 - 14139.31. (a)—In order to be selected, an LTCI program site shall demonstrate that it will have, prior to program implementation, an active advisory committee that includes consumers of long-term care services, representatives of local organizations of persons with disabilities, seniors, representatives of local senior organizations, representatives of employees who deliver direct long-term care services, and representatives of organizations that provide long-term care services. At least one-half of the members of the advisory committee must be consumers of services provided under this article, or their representatives.
 - (b) The department shall give selection preference to LTCI program sites that include primary, ancillary, and acute care, provided that their administrative action plan meets the requirements specified in Section 14139.33.
 - SEC. 15.
- SEC. 16. Section 14139.32 of the Welfare and Institutions 36 37 Code is repealed.
- 38 SEC. 16.
- 39 SEC. 17. Section 14139.32 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:

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14139.32. LTCI program sites may choose to do either of the following:

- (a) Voluntarily enroll eligible beneficiaries in a defined service area and accept capitation based on a per-patient-per-day per-member-per-month rate.
- (b) Serve all eligible beneficiaries in a defined service area and accept capitation based on a per-member-per-month rate, and may pool funds as described in Section 14139.37.

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- (c) In addition to funds received as capitation payments for providing the full continuum of Medi-Cal services, a consolidated long-term care services fund may include funds from other programs or services that would be appropriate for an LTCI program site.
- SEC. 18. Section 14139.33 of the Welfare and Institutions 16 Code is amended to read:
 - 14139.33. (a) The administrative action plan shall delineate the services to be provided to all eligible beneficiaries. At a minimum, services to be provided by each LTCI program site shall include all of the following:

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(1) Care or case management, including assessment, development of a service plan in conjunction with the consumer and other appropriate parties, authorization and arrangement for purchase of services or linkages with other appropriate entities, service coordination activities, and followup to determine whether the services received were appropriate and consistent with the service plan. Service coordination activities shall ensure that the records of each beneficiary are maintained in a consistent and complete manner and are accessible to the beneficiary or his or her family and to providers involved in his or her care. This shall be the case whether a beneficiary resides in his or her own home or in a licensed facility.

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(2) Education of beneficiaries, their families, and others in their informal support network, including independent living skills training to maximize the independence of the beneficiary.

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- 1 (3) Coordination or integration of a full continuum of medical, 2 social, and supportive services for individuals with chronic 3 long-term care needs.
- 4 SEC. 18.—The full continuum of medical, social, and 5 supportive services to all enrolled beneficiaries.
 - (b) Recognizing the fact that some LTCI models may rely on voluntary Medicare enrollment, the administrative action plan shall include the manner in which the Medicare benefit will be integrated or coordinated.
- 10 SEC. 19. Section 14139.34 of the Welfare and Institutions 11 Code is amended to read:
- 12 14139.34. The administrative action plan may also include 13 any of the following services:
 - (a) Transportation.
 - (b) Home modification.
 - (c) Housing and residential services.
- 17 (d) Other services determined by the LTCI program site to be necessary to meet the needs of eligible beneficiaries.
 - SEC. 19.
- 20 SEC. 20. Section 14139.35 of the Welfare and Institutions 21 Code is repealed.
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- 23 SEC. 21. Section 14139.36 of the Welfare and Institutions 24 Code is repealed.
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- 26 SEC. 22. Section 14139.37 of the Welfare and Institutions 27 Code is repealed.
- 28 SEC. 22.
- 29 SEC. 23. Section 14139.37 is added to the Welfare and 30 Institutions Code, to read:
- 31 14139.37. (a) LTCI program sites that serve all eligible 32 beneficiaries in a defined service area and pool funds *pursuant to*
- 33 subdivision (b) of Section 14139.32 shall establish a consolidated
- 34 long-term care services fund that shall accommodate state and
- 35 federal fiscal and auditing requirements, shall be used solely for
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- 36 the purposes described in this article, and shall not be used for any
- 37 county pooled investment fund. The administrative action plan
- 38 shall identify the funds to be transferred into a consolidated
- 39 long-term care services fund and shall delineate specifically how
- 40 the pooled funds will be used to deliver services to all eligible

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1 recipients in the geographic area covered by the LTCI program 2 site.

- (b) Public agencies that operate—LTCI program sites may identify a local entity that may be either a governmental entity, a public agency, a public entity, or a not-for-profit agency to administer the fund. The local entity may be one that already exists, or may be established for the express purpose of administering the fund. A public agency operating an LTCI program shall be designated as an LTCI program site and shall contract with the department to carry out this article.
 - (c) The funds may include funds from any of the following:
- 12 (1) Medi-Cal funding for nursing facility reimbursement for 13 long-term institutional care.
 - (2) Medi-Cal Personal Care Services Program.
- 15 (3) In-Home Supportive Services program.
 - (4) Multipurpose Seniors Services Program.
- 17 (5) Alzheimer's Day Care Resources Centers Program.
- 18 (6) Linkages Program.

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- 19 (7) Respite Program.
- 20 (8) Adult Day Health Care Program.
- 21 (9) Medi-Cal home health agency services.
- 22 (10) Medi-Cal home-based and community-based waiver 23 programs.
 - (11) Medi-Cal hospice services.
- 25 (12) Medi-Cal acute care hospital services.
- 26 (13) Other Medi-Cal services, including, but not limited to, primary, ancillary, and acute care.
- 28 SEC. 23. Section 14139.38 of the Welfare and Institutions 29 Code is repealed.
- 30 SEC. 24.
- 31 SEC. 24. Section 14139.38 of the Welfare and Institutions 32 Code is amended to read:
- 33 14139.38. Participating counties *that choose mandatory* 34 *enrollment* shall continue their financial maintenance of effort for
- 35 each of the *LTCI* programs integrated within the pilot *LTCI*
- 36 program under this article. The amount of a county's maintenance
- 37 of effort shall be the same as if the program were not integrated
- 38 within the pilot *LTCI* program pursuant to this article, and funds
- 39 equal to this amount shall be deposited in the local consolidated
- 40 long-term care services fund.

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1 SEC. 25. Section 14139.4 of the Welfare and Institutions 2 Code is amended to read:

- 14139.4. (a) The LTCI program site shall be responsible and at risk for implementing the administrative action plan. The LTCI program site shall do all of the following:
- (1) Respond, or provide for response to, consumer needs on a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week basis.
 - (2) Conduct comprehensive assessments.
 - (3) Determine eligibility for long-term care services based on
- (3) Determine beneficiary eligibility for LTCI enrollment and services based on the assessment information.
- (4) Provide for contractual arrangements for the provision of, and payment for, sufficient services to meet the needs, including the long-term care needs, of the eligible beneficiary in his or her home, community, residential facility, nursing facility, or other location.
 - (5) Provide for coordination of care across all levels of care.
- (6) Maintain control over utilization of services that are authorized.
 - (7) Monitor the quality of care provided to consumers.
 - (8) Maintain a consumer grievance process.
- (9) Manage the overall cost-effectiveness of the LTCI program site for its duration.
- (b) Services may be provided through contracts with community-based providers. In instances in which a specific service does not exist in the community, the LTCI program site may facilitate the development of local programs that provide these services, or it may provide the services directly if doing so can be demonstrated to be cost effective.

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- 31 SEC. 26. Section 14139.41 of the Welfare and Institutions 32 Code is amended to read:
- 33 14139.41. (a) For purposes of this article, "eligible 34 beneficiaries" shall be defined as persons meeting both of the 35 following criteria:
- 36 (1) Are Medi-Cal eligible and aged, blind, and disabled or 37 disabled, or, at the sole discretion of the department, a subset of 38 this group.
- 39 (2) Are adults.

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- 1 (b) LTCI program sites may limit enrollment to specific 2 populations of individuals who have chronic long-term care needs.
- 3 The administrative action plan shall describe the target population 4 to be served.
- 5 SEC. 26.
- 6 SEC. 27. Section 14139.42 of the Welfare and Institutions 7 Code is repealed.
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- 9 SEC. 28. Section 14139.42 is added to the Welfare and 10 Institutions Code, to read:
 - 14139.42. (a) If an LTCI program site elects to enroll individuals on a voluntary basis, the program must serve all individuals who enroll in the program who meet the description of the target population outlined in the administrative action plan.
 - (b) LTCI program site marketing efforts shall be consistent with procedures determined by the department.
 - SEC. 28. with departmental requirements.
- 18 SEC. 29. Section 14139.43 of the Welfare and Institutions 19 Code is amended to read:
- 20 14139.43. This article shall not preclude an LTCI program 21 site from entering into additional agreements, separate from the 22 LTCI program, to serve additional individuals or populations.

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- SEC. 30. Section 14139.44 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 26 14139.44. LTCI program sites shall ensure provider 27 reimbursement rates that are adequate to maintain compliance 28 with applicable federal and state requirements.

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- SEC. 31. Section 14139.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.5. (a) The department shall set a capitated rate of payment that is actuarially sound and that is based on the number of beneficiaries who are eligible for Medi-Cal benefits to be enrolled in the LTCI program, the mix of provided services and programs being implemented, and past Medi-Cal expenditures for
- 37 services. The rate shall reflect, and the contract shall delineate, the
- 38 rate at which the the LTCI program site shall assume risk and the
- mechanisms that shall be used, which may include, but are not

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limited to, risk corridors, reinsurance, or alternative methods of risk assumption.

- (b) The rates for the LTCI program sites shall be developed separately from, and in addition to, other Medi-Cal managed care programs operated by counties, and shall be exclusive of, and separate from, the contracting process conducted by the California Medical Assistance Commission.
- (c) Rates for the LTCI program may be developed in relation to the health care cost experience of a defined geographic region. SEC. 31.
- 11 SEC. 32. Section 14139.51 of the Welfare and Institutions 12 Code is repealed.

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- SEC. 33. Section 14139.53 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.53. (a) The department shall develop criteria to ensure that LTCI program sites maintain fiscal solvency, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (1) The capability to achieve and maintain sufficient fiscal tangible net equity within a timeframe to be specified by the department for each LTCI program site.
- (2) The capability to maintain prompt and timely provider payments.
- (3) A management information system that is approved by the department and is capable of meeting the requirements of the LTCI program.
- (b) Any LTCI program site established under this article shall immediately notify the department in writing of any fact or facts that are likely to result in the LTCI program site being unable to 30 meet its financial obligations. The written notice shall describe the fact or facts, the anticipated financial consequences, and the actions that will be taken to address the anticipated consequences, and shall be made available upon request unless otherwise prohibited by law.

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- SEC. 34. Section 14139.6 of the Welfare and Institutions 36 37 Code is amended to read:
- Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the department 38 from establishing—The department may establish a two-stage

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selection process in which LTCI program sites may be selected on a preliminary basis. Final

(a) Final selection of LTCI program sites shall be based on the completion of an administrative action plan that the department determines satisfactorily meets the selection criteria.

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- (b) LTCI program sites may, upon approval by the department, be allowed to include in the administrative action plan a phasein plan for specified funding sources, populations, and services, that shall be provided to eligible beneficiaries.
- SEC. 35. Section 14139.62 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 14139.62. Contingent on the availability of funding, the department shall evaluate the effectiveness of each LTCI program site on a schedule that coincides with federal waiver reporting requirements, and shall make this information available upon request. The department's evaluation shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:
- (a) Whether or not the LTCI program site has reduced the fragmentation of, and improved the coordination of, the long-term care delivery system in the LTCI program site area.
- (b) Whether or not the long-term care delivery system is more efficient and makes better use of available resources.
- (c) Whether or not the goals identified in Section 14139.11 have been met.
- SEC. 36. Article 4.31 (commencing with Section 14139.80) is added to Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:

Article 4.31. Private Entity Pilot Projects

 14139.80. The department shall establish up to three pilot projects in counties that elect to participate, that permit private entities to implement an LTCI pilot project consistent with the requirements of Article 4.3 (commencing with Section 14139.05). One of those pilot projects shall be in San Diego County, provided that that county elects to participate.